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FROM: HQ AMC SCOTT AFB IL//DON//

TO: AIG 8521/ML8521

SUBJ: TRAVEL ABOARD C-9 AIRCRAFT WITH RED CROSS MARKINGS

REF: CSAF MESSAGE, 261459Z JAN 01 (NOTAL).

1. REF MESSAGE AUTHORIZED UNIT COMMANDERS TO REMOVE THE RED CROSS SYMBOL FROM USAF C-9 AIRCRAFT TO COMPLY WITH PROVISIONS OF INTERNATIONAL LAWS OF ARMED CONFLICT DEFINED AT THE GENEVA CONVENTION. A RED CROSS ON THE TAIL LIMITS USE OF THE AIRCRAFT TO ONLY SICK AND WOUNDED, TRANSPORTING MEDICAL PERSONNEL (IN SUPPORT OF THE MISSION), AND THEIR EQUIPMENT. CSAF AUTHORIZED REMOVAL OF THE RED CROSS FROM USAF C-9S TO FULLY UTILIZE THE AIRCRAFT. ADDITIONALLY, CSAF DIRECTED THAT THE AREA VACATED BY THE RED CROSS BE LEFT BLANK IN CASE THE SYMBOL NEEDS TO BE REAPPLIED TO REGAIN THE STATUS OF A MEDICAL FACILITY (UNDER TERMS OF THE GENEVA ACCORD) TO SUPPORT A CONTINGENCY RESPONSE OR WARTIME OPERATION.

2. BASED ON CURRENT EVENTS, SOME USAF AIRCRAFT WILL ONCE AGAIN CARRY RED CROSS MARKINGS. IN ACCORDANCE WITH CSAF MESSAGE ABOVE AND GUIDANCE RECEIVED FROM HQ USAF/ILTT, AMC POLICY FOR OCONUS LOCATIONS IS AS FOLLOWS: USE OF AIRCRAFT WITH RED CROSS MARKINGS WILL BE LIMITED TO TRANSPORTING THE SICK AND WOUNDED, MEDICAL PERSONNEL IN SUPPORT OF THAT MISSION, AND THEIR EQUIPMENT ONLY. NO DUTY PASSENGERS OF ANY CATEGORY, SPACE A'S, OR NONMEDICAL CARGO MAY BE LEGALLY CARRIED ON THESE AIRCRAFT. AIRCRAFT WITHOUT RED CROSS MARKINGS MAY TRANSPORT ALL CATEGORIES OF AUTHORIZED PASSENGERS IAW DOD 4515.13-R AND CARGO IAW DTR PART II.

3. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT HQ AMC/DONP, DSN 779-4592.

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THIS MESSAGE IS APPROVED FOR RELEASE BY LT COL JANE CLARKE, HQ AMC/DON, DSN 779-4434

SUBJ: UPDATED GUIDANCE ON TRAVEL ABOARD C-9 AIRCRAFT WITH RED CROSS MARKINGS

REF OUR MESSAGE 291500Z NOV 01

1. DUE TO RECENT QUESTIONS REGARDING TRAVEL ABOARD OCONUS C-9 AIRCRAFT WITH RED CROSS MARKINGS, AF/JA PROVIDED FURTHER CLARIFICATION ON THIS ISSUE. ALL MEDICAL PERSONNEL (DOCTORS, NURSES, LAB TECHNICIANS, ETC) AND CHAPLAINS ARE CONSIDERED NON-COMBATANTS. THESE FOLKS ARE AUTHORIZED TO FLY AS DUTY PASSENGERS ON MARKED C-9 AIRCRAFT AS LONG AS THEY ARE ON OFFICIAL TRAVEL ORDERS.
2. NON-MEDICAL ATTENDEES TRAVELING PERMISSIVE TDY (SPACE A) ARE NOT AUTHORIZED TRAVEL ABOARD THESE MISSIONS. ADDITIONALLY, PATIENTS AND AUTHORIZED/FUNDED NON-MEDICAL ATTENDEES SHOULD BE PROCESSED THROUGH THE AERO EVACUATION SQUADRON, NOT THE PASSENGER TERMINAL.
3. BOTTOM LINE, ONLY PATIENTS, MEDICAL PERSONNEL, CHAPLAINS, FUNDED PATIENT ATTENDEES, AND MEDICAL EQUIPMENT ARE AUTHORIZED ON THESE MISSIONS. NO SPACE AVAILABLE TRAVEL ABOARD AIRCRAFT WITH RED CROSS MARKINGS IS AUTHORIZED.
4. THIS GUIDANCE WILL BE INCORPORATED IN AMCI 24-101, VOL 14, WHICH IS CURRENTLY UNDER REVISION.
5. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT HQ AMC/DONP, DSN 779-4592.

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